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May 28, 1996

Mr. L. John Woodrum, Plant Manager Ashland Chemical Company 156 W 56th Avenue Denver, Colorado 80216

RE: Hazardous Waste Inspection
EPA ID# COT 090010026
Warning Letter

Dear Mr. Woodrum,

This letter is written as a follow-up to the inspection performed at Ashland Chemical Company located at 3350 Zuni S., Sheridan, Colorado on May 1, 1996. Based on the information obtained during the Department's inspection, the Department has made the following determinations:

During the May 1, 1996 inspection, Department inspectors observed an unlabeled 55-gallon drum containing an orange liquid substance. According to a May 16, 1996 letter submitted to the Department by Ashland Chemical Company, the contents of this drum were identified by Ashland Chemical Company as a hazardous waste.

Section 262.34(a)(2) and (3) of the Colorado hazardous waste regulations require that containers holding hazardous waste be marked with the date upon which each period of accumulation begins and with the words "Hazardous Waste".

In order to be in compliance with section 262.34(a)(2) and (3) of the Colorado hazardous waste regulations, Ashland Chemical Company must clearly mark each container holding hazardous waste with the accumulation start date and the words "Hazardous Waste".

Within 30 days of receipt of this letter, please provide a written description of the changes that Ashland Chemical Company has made to come into compliance with the hazardous waste regulations.

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Should you have any question regarding the hazardous waste regulations or with to discuss the issues raised by this inspection, please contact Nancy Newell at (303) 692-3351. Correspondence should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Newell at the above address.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Newell

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